

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-11, and 13-25 are pending in the present application. Claims 13-17, 21, and 24 are amended. The amendments contain no new matter and are supported by the specification.

The Office Action rejected claims 13-19, 22, 24, and 25 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention, because claims 13-19, 22, 24, and 25 depend on claim 12, which is cancelled.

Claims 13, 14, 21, and 24 are amended to depend from claim 9 and to incorporate the subject matter of cancelled claim 12. Claims 16 and 17 are amended to depend from claim 9. Claims 15, 18, 19, 22, and 25 no longer depend from claim 12, due to the other amendments.

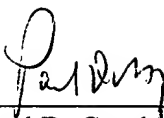
The Office Action allowed claims 1, 9-11, 20-21, and 23, including reasons for allowance. However, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims of the above noted application are allowable for many reasons, including those set forth in Applicant's Specification, Responses, and Amendments.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants respectfully submit that all of the claims in the present application are patentably distinguishable over the references cited in the Office Action. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and that the claims be passed to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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